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1. JAPAN-SOVIET FISHERY NEGOTIATIONS CONCLUDED APRIL 21
AFTER AGREEMENT WAS REACHED COVERING THREE AREAS:

- A) JAPAN-SOVIET FISHERIES COOPERATION AGREEMENT
- B) PROTOCOL GOVERNING SALMON FISHING IN 1978
- C) EXCHANGE OF NOTES CONCERNING FISHERIES TECHNICAL
- COOPERATION AGREEMENT OF 1967

2. ACCORDING TO JAPANESE PRESS REPORTS JAPAN-SOVIET
FISHERIES COOPERATION AGREEMENT CONTAINS SEVEN ARTICLES.
MOST IMPORTANT ARE:

- A) ARTICLE II WHICH INDICATES THAT COUNTRIES SHALL

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PROMOTE DEVELOPMENT OF COOPERATION IN IMPROVEMENT OF
FISHING TECHNOLOGY, IMPROVEMENT OF FISH CULTURE TECHNOLOGY,
IMPROVEMENT IN METHOD OF UTILIZATION, PROCESSING AND
STORING OF FISH PRODUCTS AND CARRYING OUT SCIENTIFIC
RESEARCH INCLUDING GATHERING AND EXCHANGE OF SCIENTIFIC
INFORMATION.
B) ARTICLE IV WHICH ESTABLISHES A JAPAN-SOVIET FISHERIES

COMMISSION AND RULES FOR CONDUCT OF COMMISSION.

C) ARTICLE V WHICH OUTLINES FUNCTIONS OF COMMISSION

D) ARTICLE VII WHICH ESTABLISHES LIFE OF AGREEMENT TO
DECEMBER 31, 1982.

3. THE PROTOCOL GOVERNING SALMON FISHERY IN 1978 SETS
QUOTA FOR SALMON AT 42,500 METRIC TONS OR 32.8 MILLION
FISH WHICHEVER IS REACHED FIRST. FISHING SEASON IS SET
FROM MAY 1-JULY 31. AREA ENCLOSED BY 44 DEGREES N, 170
DEGREES E, SOVIET AND U.S. 200 MILE ZONES IS CLOSED.

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QUOTA WILL BE RENEGOTIATED EACH YEAR UNDER JAPAN-SOVIET
COMMISSION. COURT JURISDICTION OUTSIDE SOVIET 200 MILE
ZONE WILL REMAIN WITH MARITIME FLAG STATE. ZONES A AND B
HAVE BEEN ABOLISHED AND JAPAN HAS APPROVED ENTRY OF SOVIET
PATROL VESSELS INTO OLD ZONE B. FISHERY COOPERATION FEE
OF 1760 MILLION YEN WILL BE PAID BY JAPAN WHICH IS ABOUT
4.5 PERCENT OF VALUE OF QUOTA. PAYMENT MAY BE HANDLED
BY AN AGREEMENT BETWEEN JAPANESE FISHING INDUSTRY AND
USSR. AS RESULT OF THIS PROTOCOL, JFA IS PROPOSING
REDUCTION IN MOTHERSHIP FLEET FROM SIX TO THREE AND IN
CATCHERBOATS FROM 245 TO 172.

4. EXCHANGE OF NOTES ON TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE PROVIDES FOR
TERMINATION OF EXISTING TECHNICAL COOPERATION AGREEMENT OF
1967.

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5. JFA OFFICER HAS INDICATED THAT SIZE OF QUOTA NOT FAR
FROM THAT EXPECTED. MOST TROUBLESOME ASPECTS IS CLOSED
AREA WHICH WILL GREATLY LIMIT OPERATIONS OF LAND-BASED
DRIFT NET FISHERY.

6. EMBASSY EXPECTS TO RECEIVE OFFICIAL VERSIONS OF TEXTS
FROM JFA WITHIN NEXT TWO WEEKS. WILL POUCH TRANSLATED
VERSIONS SOON THEREAFTER. MANSFIELD

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